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CITY NOTES

AUDITING COMMITTEE.—The auditing committee of councils will hold an adjourned session, Friday night.

QUIETLY MARRIED.—Miss Sadie Swingle and Harry Pilger, both of Petersburg, were married by Alderman Kason, at his office, Monday night at 8 o'clock. The couple were unattended.

BOY INJURED.—Raymond Grimes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Grimes, of Mulberry street, fell from the roof of a house, Monday afternoon, and sustained a painful gash over the right eye.

ASCENSION DAY.—At St. Luke's church, Thursday, Ascension Day, there will be two celebrations of the Holy Communion, at 7 a. m., 10 a. m., and a special service at 7 p. m., at which the Knights Templars will attend in a body.

PAY DAYS.—The Delaware and Hudson company paid the employes of collieries Nos. 1 and 2 and Powderly, at Caphandale, yesterday. The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company pays today at the Pyne, Taylor and Holden collieries.

WHY JONES LEFT HOME.—At the Academy of Music the Clair Paton and Russell company presented "Why Jones Left Home," in an excellent manner before a well-pleased audience. This afternoon the company will present "Four Miss Rich," and tonight "A Celebrated Case."

THE LAST WEEK.—This is the last week of the fair of St. Paul's church, Green Ridge. Last night Miss Sadie Ingham, of Dunmore; Miss Clara Wakefield, Mr. Norbert, and others rendered a musical and literary programme of much interest. Friday will be Rev. Father McManus' evening, so named by the managing committee, who have prepared a programme of much excellence for that occasion.

EXCITEMENT ONLY.—Some empty wooden boxes lying in the open space in front of Tom Lane's hotel, on Spruce street, were set on fire yesterday afternoon in some manner and a fierce blaze resulted. A still alarm was sent in to the Phoenix Chemical company and the flames were quickly extinguished. Some persons afterwards sent in an alarm and brought out the other companies. No damage resulted.

CAKE WALK.—A cake walk and ball was held in Music hall last evening under the direction of John T. Nicholson. Ten couples participated in the contest, which was won by Edward Miers and Mrs. F. Stevenson. Among the other contestants were Alice Barber and Edward Hasbrook, Lizzie Dennis and Arthur Murray, Stella Marie and Rastus Johnson, Henry Scott and Mrs. Dora Nicholson, Harry Green and Cora Hall. The judges were George Walsh, Al. Rose and William Smith.

POSITION IS DONE AWAY WITH.

Lackawanna's Chief Bridge Carpenter Has Been Dismissed.

Wesley Laning, chief of the bridge carpenters of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company, was dismissed yesterday. The position has been done away with. Mr. Laning had been in the company's employ nearly forty years.

THEY THREATENED
TO MAKE TROUBLE

PROPOSED TO FIGHT THE RESOLUTION.

Some of the Second District Democrats who wanted favorites Named by Judge Smith as His Choice for State Delegates Had to Be Placated Before the Convention Opened—Only Business of the Convention Was the Adoption of the Resolution.

Representatives of the Democrats of the Second legislative district of the county, which comprises part of this city, met in the grand jury room of the court house yesterday and adopted resolutions endorsing the candidacy of Hon. P. P. Smith for justice of the supreme court and directing him to name the delegates who will represent that district in the state convention to be held in Harrisburg, June 14.

Threats were made that this resolution would be vigorously fought and it required some active work by the leaders to get all the obstacles smoothed out of the way of the prepared programme.

It was reported that Judge Smith intended to name Colonel P. J. Fitzsimmons, Attorneys Joseph O'Brien and D. J. Rosely as delegates. Some of the delegates wanted W. G. O'Malley named as one of the state delegates and his appointment by Judge Smith was conceded rather than have a fight in the convention over the proposition to allow Judge Smith the courtesy of naming the delegates.

In the absence of the chairman of the committee, M. W. Walton, the secretary, Frank McAndrew, called the convention to order. John M. Corbett and Frank J. McCawley were named as temporary secretaries and after Mr. McAndrew had read the list of delegates who registered with him Monday night, the roll of the convention was prepared. It showed the following delegates in attendance:

THE DELEGATES.

- Seventh ward, Third district—Thomas Getty.
- Eighth ward, First district—T. C. McVinn, W. P. Boland; Second district, E. J. Fitzsimmons.
- Ninth ward, First district—F. J. McAndrew; Third district, P. J. McCawley; Third district, John M. Corbett.
- Tenth ward, First district—Bernard Thayer; Second district, Edward Hartman.
- Eleventh ward, First district—Charles Levert; Second district, Charles Wirth; Third district, Frank J. McGrath.
- Twelfth ward, First district—John Shea; Second district, John J. Hurley.
- Thirteenth ward, First district—John Riely; Second district, William Gadden; Third district, Oliver Nichols.
- Sixteenth ward, Second district—Charles H. Small.
- Seventeenth ward, First district—David J. Reedy; Third district, John A. Nallin.
- Nineteenth ward, First district—Edward Coleman; Second district, Thomas Murphy; Third district, Edward Carey.
- Twentieth ward, First district—Joseph Ramey; Second district, Michael Conolly; M. J. Donohue; Third district, J. R. O'Malley; Fourth district, Edward F. Keating.

On motion of Colonel F. J. Fitzsimmons Frank McGrath was made temporary chairman and the secretaries were appointed tellers. The following were appointed a committee on resolutions, Colonel P. J. Fitzsimmons, W. P. Boland, Charles H. Schadt, John A. Nallin and Oliver Nichols. The report of this committee was as follows:

THE RESOLUTIONS.

The Democracy of the Second legislative district of Lackawanna county, through her representatives, meets upon this occasion under auspices the most pleasing to realize and gratifying to contemplate. A constant harmony and singleness of purpose guide the deliberations of each delegate and hope for a glorious achievement is uppermost in the mind of every delegate. The earnestness and commendable zeal may have, at times in the past, stimulated rivalries which went near the verge of honest discord, yet today every preference is merged in a signal object and each wish is in the direction of a splendid destiny.

This agreeable condition and approval of realization is founded upon no forced compromise nor manufactured impulses. It is the outcome of sincere admiration for one who as a teacher, lawyer, judge and citizen, we esteem, respecting, fame and respect without forfeiting any of the essentials of true manhood.

In endorsing his candidacy for membership in the highest judicial tribunal of the state the Democracy of this district does not have to tell who he is, or his qualifications to the Democracy of Pennsylvania. One is reverentially aware throughout the commonwealth and the other is imperishably written in the annals of her jurisprudence.

Without further commending our candidate or attacking the work of the convention has assembled to perform the following resolutions are respectfully submitted. That in the person of the Hon. P. P. Smith, the Democracy of the Second legislative district of Lackawanna county, has selected a candidate for justice of the supreme court of Pennsylvania whose tried and approved fitness entitles him to the highest consideration of his party as a citizen, a jurist and a Democrat.

Resolved, That he is the choice of the Democracy of this district for the excellent position to which he has been and earnestly commended him to the most favorable action of the delegates who will compose the convention which will meet at Harrisburg June 14, 1899.

Resolved, That as a further evidence of the esteem in which he is held he be empowered, by this convention, to name

the delegates this district is entitled to send to the said state convention. That the chairman and the secretaries of this convention are hereby directed to promptly certify these resolutions to the said Hon. P. P. Smith in order that he may, at his convenience, exercise the authority vested in him by their adoption.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously and the convention adjourned after making the temporary organization permanent.

THIRD DISTRICT CONVENTION.

Monday afternoon the convention of the Third district Democrats was held in the St. Charles hotel. Asa A. Nichols was chairman and John J. Coyne secretary. The committee on resolutions consisted of J. J. Coyne, P. F. Conolly and M. P. Judge. Part of the resolutions reported and unanimously adopted were as follows:

Resolved, therefore, that we hereby unanimously endorse the Hon. P. P. Smith for the office of justice of the supreme court.

Resolved, That this convention authorize the said Hon. P. P. Smith to name the delegates which this district is entitled to send to the state convention, which will meet at Harrisburg June 14, 1899.

Next Tuesday the convention of the First district Democrats will be held in Cosgrove's hall, West Scranton.

ANOTHER LARGE CROWD.

Second Night of the Firemen's Fair Has a Big Attendance—Excelsiors Make a Good Showing.

The second night of the firemen's fair was quite as successful in point of attendance as the opening night and was even more successful in the matters of financial returns.

The concert by Bauer's band was the main cause of the large attendance and the fact that it was the Excelsiors' night and that they and their friends from Providence were bent on making a record for themselves in the treasury department was primarily responsible for the large pecuniary returns. The Cumberland, the next door neighbors of the Excelsiors, attended in uniform in a body. The Excelsiors will return the compliment on May 25 when the Cumberland will have their "tuning." Manager Macquitty expressed the deepest satisfaction at the showing made by the Excelsiors.

Tonight the Centuries—Chief Hickey's company—will demonstrate their popularity. The Reifers, Neptunes and William Connells have arranged to attend in full numbers tonight out of compliment to the Centuries and the "big fellow." They will meet at their respective headquarters at 6:30 and proceed to the Century house to escort them to the fair. Chief Hickey says they will bring a thousand South Siders with them.

Many prominent men were present last night and they brought along large wads of substantial appreciation. One of them who heard Miss Tropp, tere lady of the flower booth, bewailing the possibility of the art flowers going to less bought up the whole lot and caused them to be distributed among the lady assistants.

THE BATTLE OF SAN JUAN.

The Man Who Fired the First Shot Was Wounded Eight Times.

On Monday, May 22, Buffalo Bill's Wild West and Congress of Rough Riders of the World will exhibit in this city. One of the newest and most popular here and the public is well aware of the fact that what Messrs. Coby and Salisbury promise they always carry out. This season the exhibition exceeds anything that they have yet attempted in the way of reproducing historical facts. One of the newest being a vivid production of the battle of San Juan, in which the entire company of 600 persons will participate.

In order that everything connected with the production may be as nearly correct as possible there has been engaged a number of the celebrated Roosevelt Rough Riders, who were in the thickest part of the battle. Special scenery has been prepared and a miniature hill built from photographs taken of the memorial spot. Among the Rough Riders who will participate in the event are Sergeant Gerald A. Webb, who was badly injured, Bill Cline and Walter M. Cook, the latter a scout, who also carry the marks of the bullets fired by the Spaniards; William McGilley, who is spoken of by Colonel Roosevelt as a brave fighter, and Tom Isabel, who has the distinction of having fired the first shot, and who received in return eight bullets, all of which made their marks on different parts of his body.

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One hundred pieces of fine high-grade Lace, narrow, medium and wide—no old patterns—real value 10c, 15c and 18c. Your Choice of the Lot at 5c yard

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JAKE BRYANT DUN'S
THE "MINING KING"

COLLECTED A LONG STANDING BILL OF \$125 FOR RENT.

Sam Newhouse, Former Scrantonian, Who Has New York All Agog by His Big Investments Responds to a Dun for a Rent Bill He Left Unpaid Here Some Twenty Odd Years Ago—Says He Remembers All About It Now That It Is Called to His Attention.

Now comes an interesting local story of Sam Newhouse, the copper king who has been startling the East lately with his stupendous financial deals. Two weeks ago the papers throughout the whole country printed an item of his paying a \$283,000 insurance premium to secure an \$8,000 annuity with \$200,000 at death. Last week the New York papers and others throughout the East contained some head items exploiting his purchase for \$500,000 cash of the "flat-iron" plot at the corner of Fifth avenue and Twenty-third street.

In Scranton, where Newhouse was born, and for a long time, lived, these stories were read with especial interest, and among all the residents of the city no one, possibly, read them with keener interest than Jacob Bryant, the Jefferson avenue boarding housekeeper. HE OWED FOR RENT.

Some twenty odd years ago Mr. Bryant was even more of a dun at the corner of Quincy avenue and Mulberry street, now the residence of Colonel L. A. Watres, and Sam Newhouse was his tenant. When Newhouse left Scranton he was insolvent, and among his unpaid bills was one for \$125 for back rent.

Mr. Bryant had given up all hopes years ago, of ever realizing anything on the rent claim and possibly never thought of it after it had been outlawed, except when, in recent years, he returned to the city and saw an account of some of his many startling financial exploits.

The recent raft of these stories kept the thing in Mr. Bryant's mind for a longer period than usual, and the result was a determination to try a dun on his multi-millionaire debtor. He did it and it brought the desired result. In a carefully worded letter directed to Mr. Newhouse's New York address, he reminded him of the unpaid rent bill, and stated that the \$125 would be very acceptable just now.

RECEIVED A CHECK.
Yesterday Mr. Bryant received a letter from Newhouse enclosing a check for \$250, and stating that he had forgotten all about the bill but now clearly remembers it.

Mr. Bryant is thankful that his former tenant has a good memory.

PREPARING THE CONTRACT.
Will Be Presented for the Mayor's Signature Today.

It is expected that the asphalt repair contract with the Barber company will be presented today for the mayor's signature and the controller's certification. Mayor Moir says he will sign it but Controller Howell will not commit himself. He wants to be satisfied, he says, that the ordinance now before council re-appropriating the \$17,520 item for asphalt repairs will be enacted before he attaches his signature to the contract.

The contract is being drawn up by City Solicitor McGinley. He was to have completed it yesterday but was unable to do so. He promised to have it ready this morning.

Manager West, of the Barber company, says that within twenty-four hours from the time the contract is executed the work of repairs will be commenced. He is considering the advisability of using "binder" to temporarily fill the holes on such streets as cannot be reached by the repairers for some time to come.

There was some talk yesterday about city hall of an injunction to restrain the city officials from executing the contract, on the ground that a ten-year ago contract is illegal.

PROVIDENCE PAVE IN SIGHT.
Mayor Signs the Resolution Awarding the Contract.

Mayor Moir yesterday signed a number of resolutions, among them one awarding to the Girard Construction company the contract for paving North Main avenue and Providence road. The company and City Engineer Phillips will confer at once regarding the commencement of the work. Three contemplated sewer systems will cross the thoroughfare to be paved, but it is

thought these will be completed before the pavers reach the intersecting points. An ordinance is now being prepared to raise the funds to pay the city's share of the expense of these sewers.

Other resolutions signed by the mayor were: Providing for the appointment of a commission to draft a new building ordinance; directing that all poles be designated by number and the owners' name; permitting the construction of a private sewer in the Fifteenth ward; calling for specifications for flag stone sidewalks on Harrison avenue; directing the removal of a fire hydrant on Mineral street from the middle of the sidewalk to the curb line.

MORE WIRES UNDERGROUND.
Telephone Company Is About to Extend Its Conduits.

The Central Pennsylvania Telephone and Supply company is preparing to extend its underground conduits along West Lackawanna avenue from the bridge to Main avenue and on South Washington avenue from Lackawanna avenue to River street.

Negotiations with Street Commissioner O'Boyle regarding the bond to insure against damage to the pavements are now under way.

UNVEILING OF THE HARRISBURG MONUMENT.
Harrisburg, May 12—Low Rates Via Lehigh Valley Railroad.

The Lehigh Valley railroad announces a special low rate of one fare for the round trip from points in Pennsylvania to Harrisburg, for the above occasion. Tickets to be sold May 10, 11 and 12, for all trains (except the Black Diamond Express), limited for return to and including May 13. Inquire of Lehigh Valley ticket agents for further particulars.

Whooping Cough.
I had a little boy who was nearly dead from an attack of whooping cough. My neighbors recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I did not think that any medicine would help him, but after giving him a few doses of that remedy I noticed an improvement, and one bottle cured him entirely. It is the best cough medicine I ever had in the house.—J. L. Moore, South Bergetstown, Pa. For sale by all druggists. Matthew Bros., wholesale and retail agents.

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The neatest and best baked loaf, were 14c. Sale price, 5c Each

Screen Doors
That are spindled and sold for \$1.25. Sale price, 75 Cents

Enameled Ware
In Pie Pans, Cake Pans, Pudding Pans, were 10c. Sale price, 5 Cents

Window Screens
Slide ends fit any window, 9 Cents

Ware Bowls
Best retinned ware, was 10c. Sale price, 5 Cents

Fruit Jars
Any size, were 48c dozen. Sale price, 24c Dozen

Pin Trays
Gold and flag decorated, were 10c. Sale price, 2 Cents

Clothes Lines
50 foot long braided cotton, were 10c. Sale price, 5 Cents

Handkerchiefs
That were 10c. Depot Stock sale price, 4 Cents

Fancy Sauce Dishes
Carlsbad China color and tint decorations, were 10c. Sale price, 9 Cents



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